

### **REMARKS**

Claims 2-21 are now pending in the application, of which Claims 2-21 have been allowed. Claim 1 has been cancelled. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

### **ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER**

The Applicants gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's allowance of Claims 2-21.

### **REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112**

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicants have cancelled Claim 1 to in order to expedite prosecution of the present application. Accordingly, this rejection should be moot.

### **REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103**

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kerho et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 3,924,442) in view of C.D. Pulsell, P.E., "The Use Of Exponential Dilution Flow In Gas Analyzer Calibrations," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 (hereinafter "Pulsell"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Although Applicant does not necessary agree with the Examiner's rejection of Claim 1, in order to expedite prosecution of the present application, Applicants have

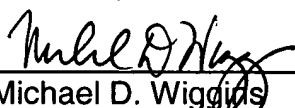
elected to cancel Claim 1 in favor of the allowable subject matter of Claims 2-11. Accordingly, this rejection should be moot.

#### **CONCLUSION**

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (313) 665-4969.

Respectfully submitted,

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